



City of Dover – Downtown Parking

Frequently Asked Questions



Where are meters going to be located?

The meters are the same model as those currently installed on Henry Law Avenue, Orchard Street Lot and Belknap Lot. Meters will be evenly spaced along Central Avenue (from the Train Tracks south to St. Thomas Street) along Main Street, Washington Street, 1st Street, 3rd Street, School Street and the 1st and 3rd Street Lots. Drivers should have to walk no further than 50 feet to find a meter. (Please See Map).

What do I do once I purchase parking?

The meter will dispense a receipt. Please return to your vehicle and place it face up on your driver's side dash board.

How much will it cost to park, what are the time limits, how can I pay?

75 Cents per hour. Those using cash can pay for as little as 20 minutes (25 cents). Those using credit cards will have a minimum of one hour. There is a 3-hour on street limit and no limit in parking lots. The meter accept Visa, Discover, Mastercard, tokens & coins. Debit cards will not work.

When does the system go live?

On-street meters are scheduled to be activated on January 3, 2011. They may be installed in advance of that date, but will not be live.

When do you need to pay for parking?

Currently, paid parking is in effect, Monday through Friday from 8am to 6pm, except holidays.

How do I get discounted parking?

Tokens are available for purchase at a 20% discount and are available at the Police Station.

Is there any incentive program in place with local businesses?

This is up to each business, but some are planning on reimbursing you for a purchase with additional tokens to make repeat visits to downtown Dover. Please tear off your receipt to bring with you to your favorite shop or restaurant.

General Parking Questions

Why the change to paid parking?

The City has determined that having a pay to park system is part of a comprehensive management system. Parking revenue is necessary to fund additional improvements to the parking inventory, including lot maintenance and additional facilities. By having users of the parking system pay to use it, this negates any impact to the General Tax Payer as all fees collected are used to fund the system.

Where do you park if you don't want to pay a meter?

Some areas adjacent to the downtown as still free to park. Additionally, long-term downtown parkers are encouraged to purchase monthly permit for one of the convenient downtown parking lots. There is no time limit in these parking lots. The permits can be purchased at the Police Station M-F.

\$45 per Month

Third Street, First Street, School Street, Orchard Street and Belknap Lot

\$20 per Month

Chestnut Street

Free

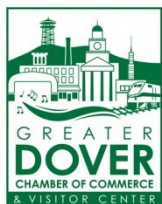
The Grimes Lot off of Portland Ave

Will the meters be lit?

Yes, the meters will have a solar light to illuminate the console during low-light situations.

What about snow removal and access to the meters?

As part of this program, the City will enhance the snow removal in the downtown core to make sidewalks readily accessible.



For More Information

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Pay and Display Locations

-  Current Meter Location
-  Meter Location as of 1/3/2011
-  Parking District Boundary

